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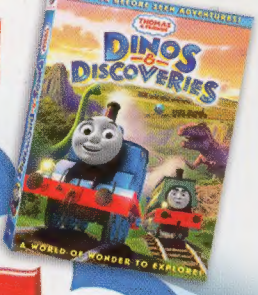

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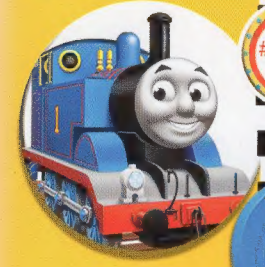

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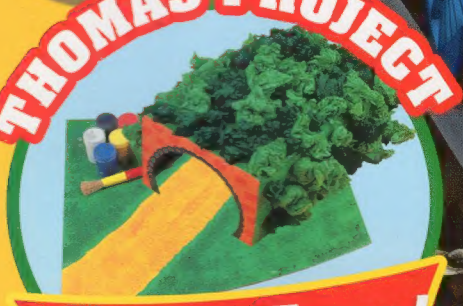

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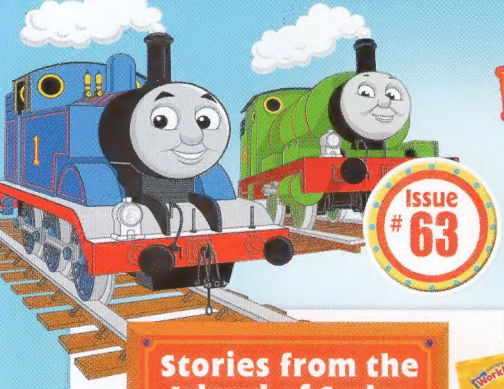

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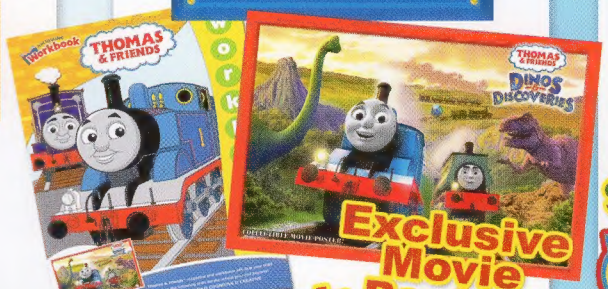

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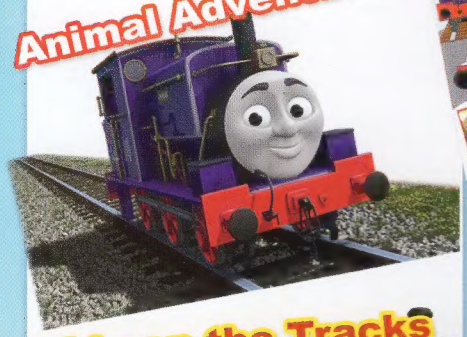

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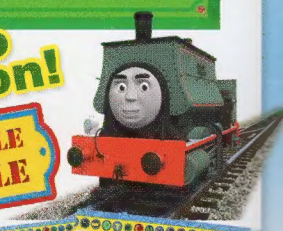

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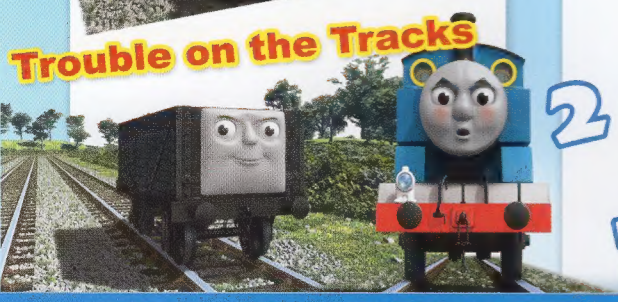

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STORY TIME WITH THOMAS

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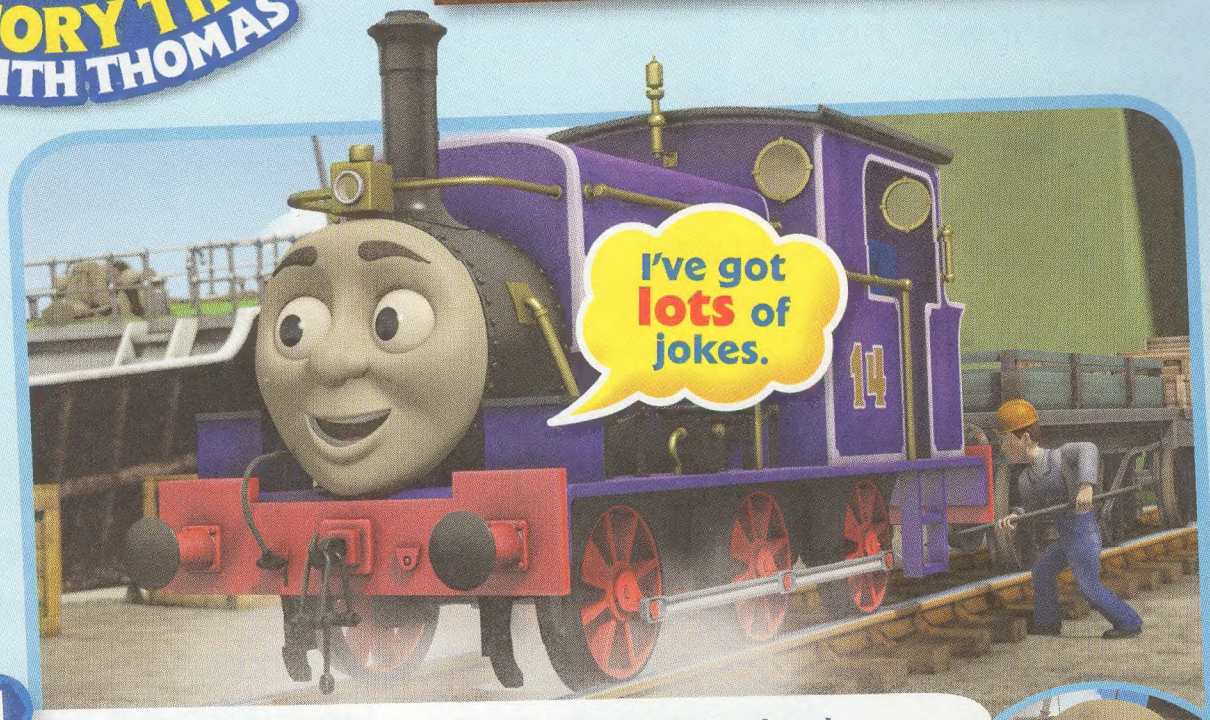
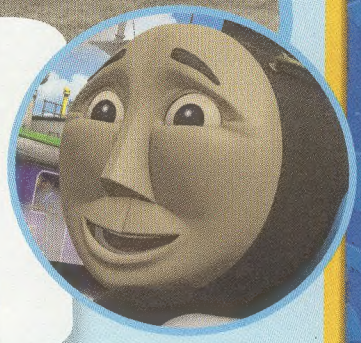
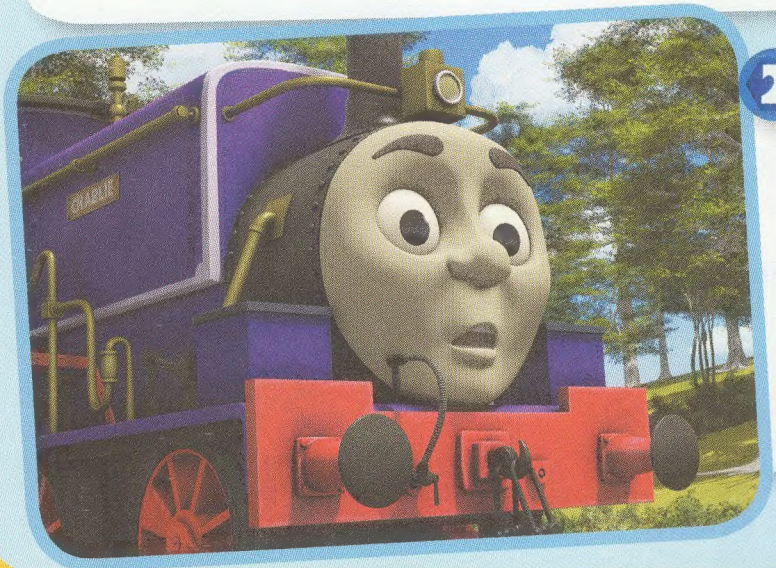


1 "Why are pirates called pirates?" asked Charlie one day. Nobody knew, so Charlie told them. "Because they just **arrrr**," he giggled. Not everybody liked Charlie's jokes. But sometimes they couldn't help laughing anyway.





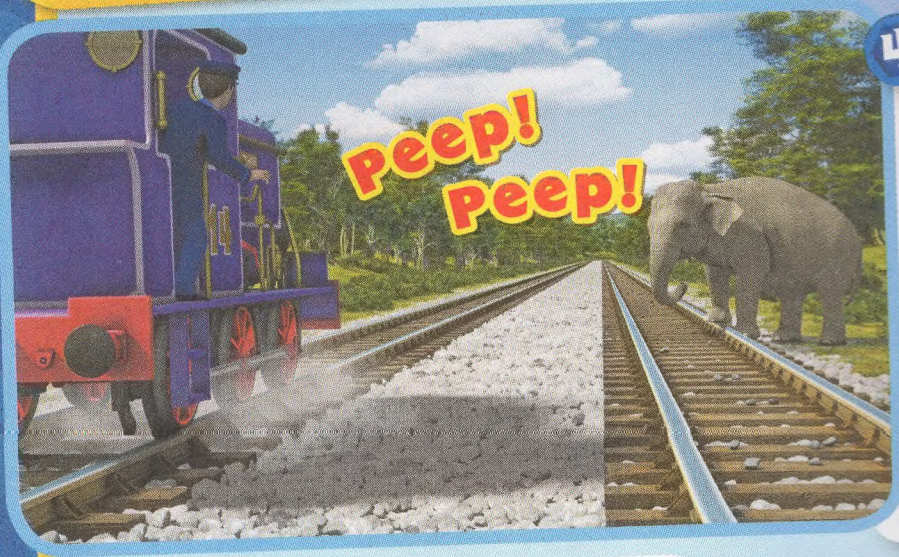
2 Charlie went off, still chuckling to himself. Then he stopped. He gasped. There, on the railway line in front of him, was...

3 ... an **elephant!**
Charlie didn't think any elephants lived on the Island of Sodor.
Yet, there it was, right in front of him!

What was Charlie surprised to see on the line?

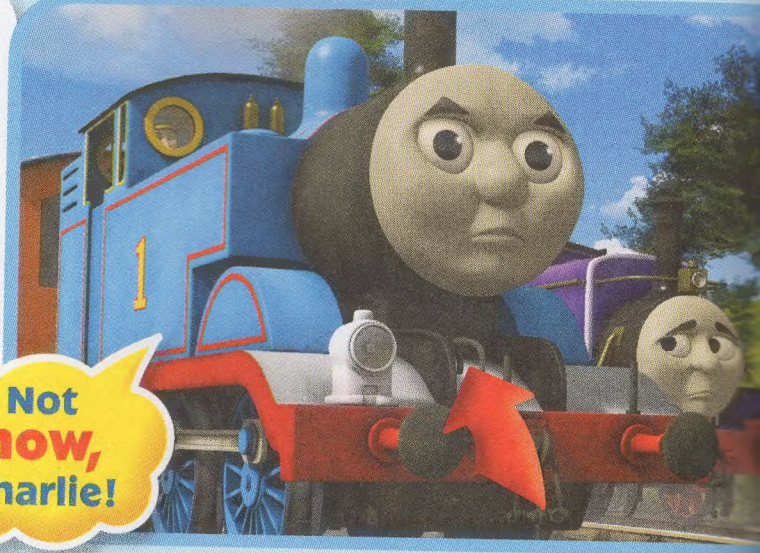
☐ a pirate

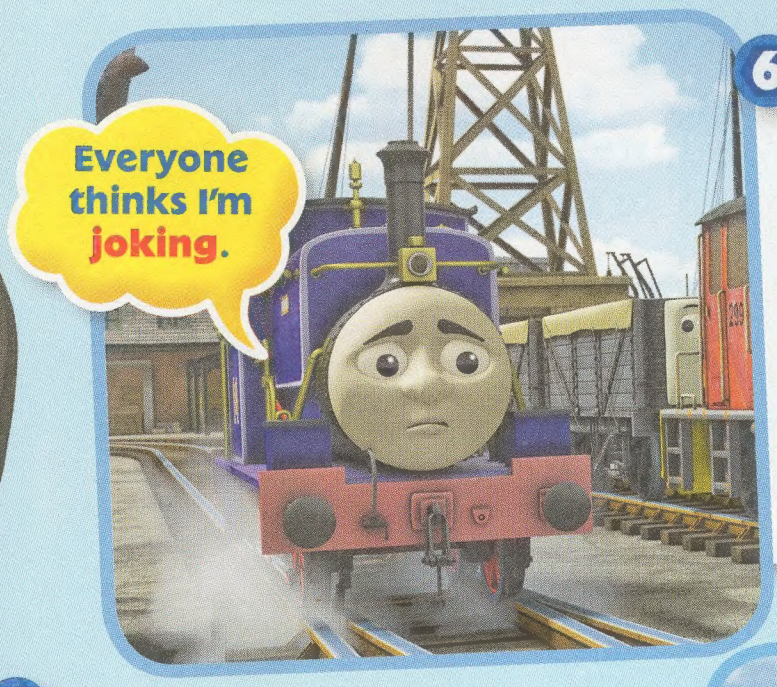
☐ an elephant



4 Charlie was worried about the elephant. "It's in danger here!" He **peeped** his whistle as loud as he could, but the elephant didn't move. "I'd better get help," he thought.

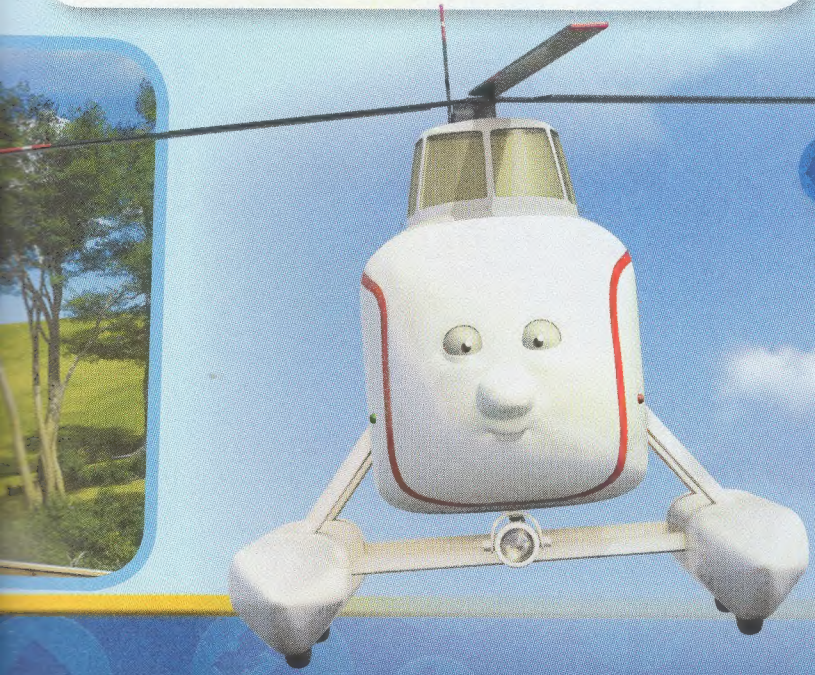
5 Charlie saw Thomas wheesh by and he hurried to catch up. "Thomas!" cried Charlie. "There's an **elephant** on the line!" Thomas didn't believe Charlie. "I don't have time for jokes," said Thomas. "I've got passengers to deliver."



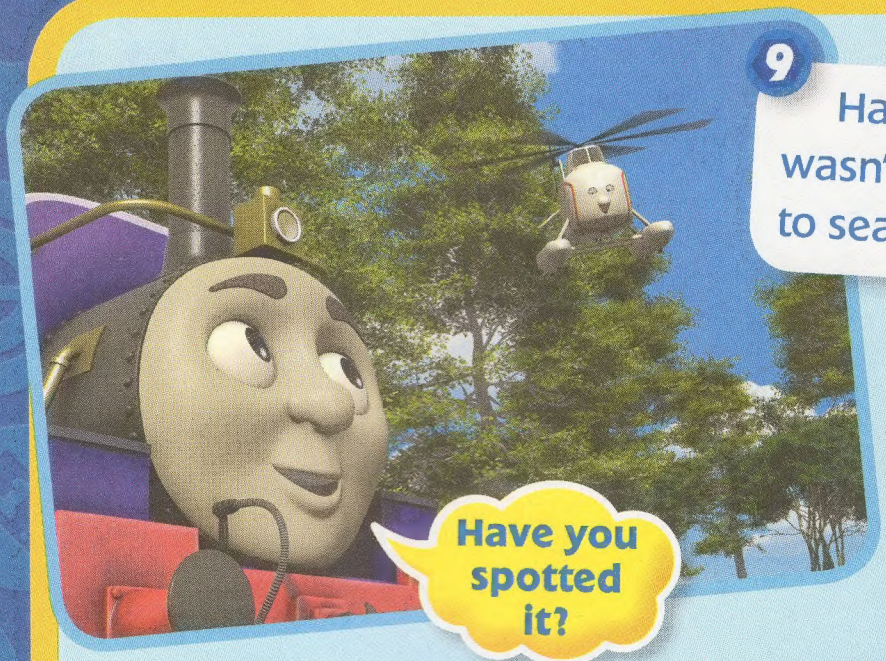


6 Charlie tried telling **Percy** about the elephant. Percy said, "Not now, Charlie!" So Charlie tried telling **Henry** about the elephant. Henry said, "Not now, Charlie!" Charlie felt sad that not one single engine believed him.

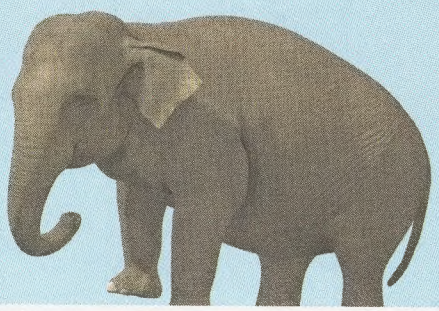
7 Charlie was rolling sadly past the Sodor Animal Park when he noticed a **tree** had fallen on to the fence of the elephant enclosure. So **that's** where the elephant had come from! "I need someone who'll take me seriously," thought Charlie. He knew just who to ask for help.



8 He rushed to the Sodor Search and Rescue Center. **"Harold!"** cried Charlie. "It's an emergency! There's an elephant on the loose!"

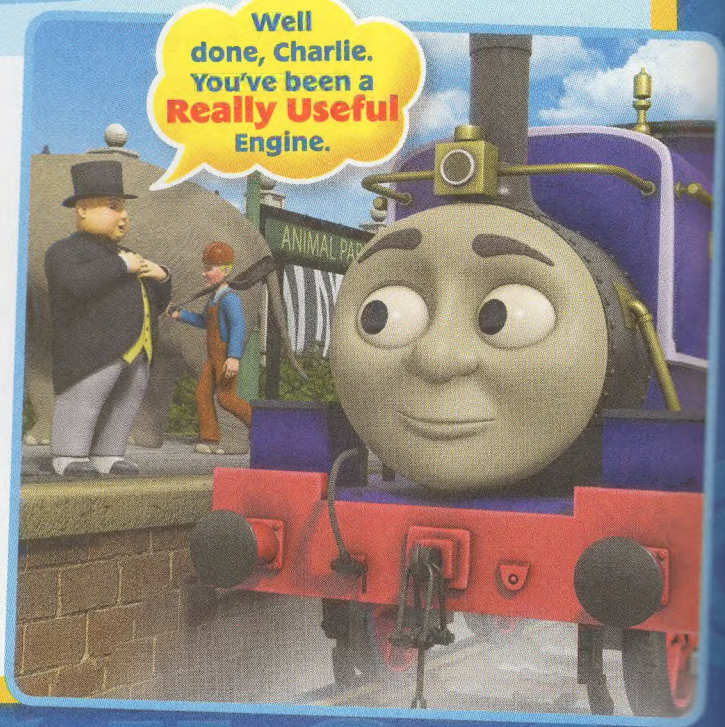


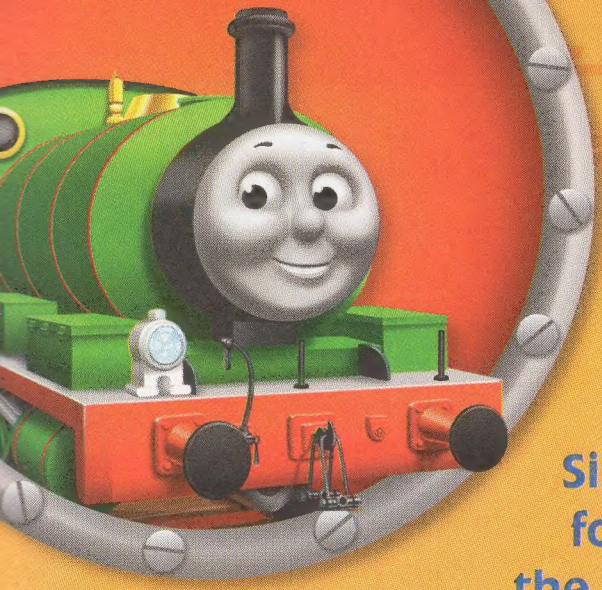
9 Harold realized Charlie wasn't joking. They set off to search for the elephant.



10 They found the elephant down near Brendam Docks. Charlie loaded the elephant onto his truck to take it back to the Animal Park where it would be safe.

11 Everyone was relieved to see the elephant safely home. Charlie thought he might stop telling jokes for a while, then people might take him seriously in the future. But then he started to giggle as he remembered the one about how elephants fly. Do **you** know? Give up? They fly by **Jumbo Jet!**





TREASURE HUNT

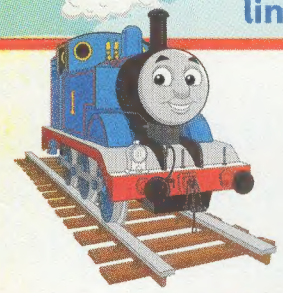
Sir Topham Hatt has buried treasure for a Treasure Hunt! Can you follow the clues to help Thomas get there first?

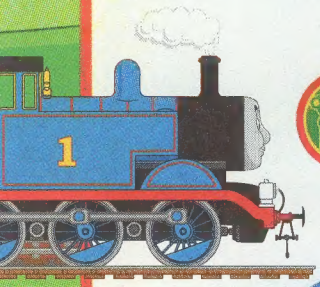
1: Start at The Beach. Go up one square.
2: Move left three squares.
3: Move down one square. Where are you now?
4: Go right one square. Who is puffing along the tracks?
5: Move down two squares.
6: Go right one square.
7: YOU'VE FOUND IT! Where is the treasure buried?

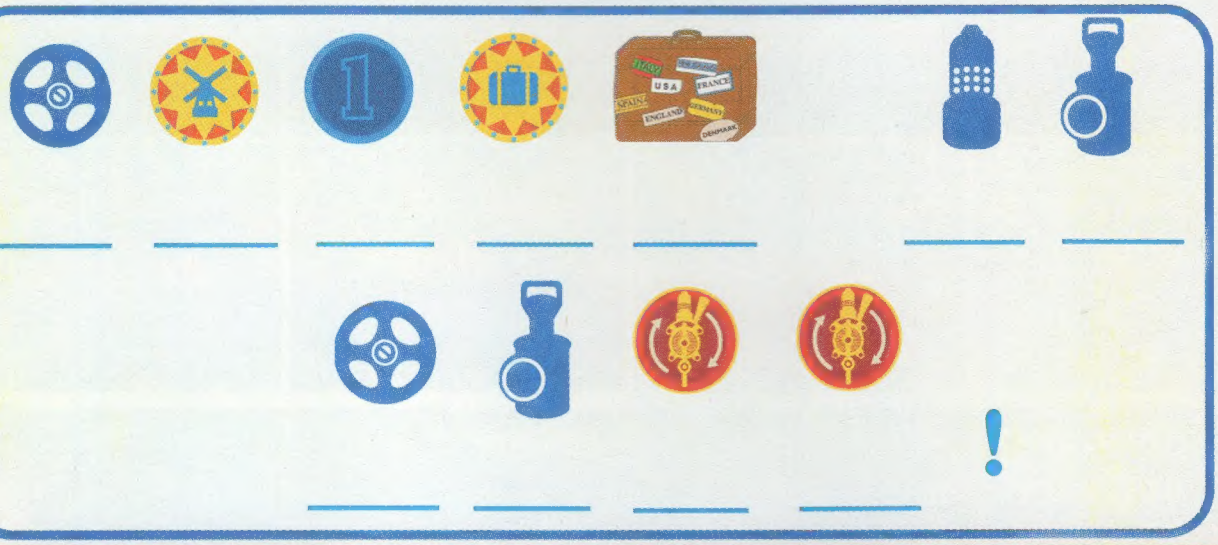
Answer: The treasure is buried at Rolf's Castle.

Secret Code

Thomas has something to tell Sir Topham Hatt! Write the letters under the symbols on the lines below to find out what it is.







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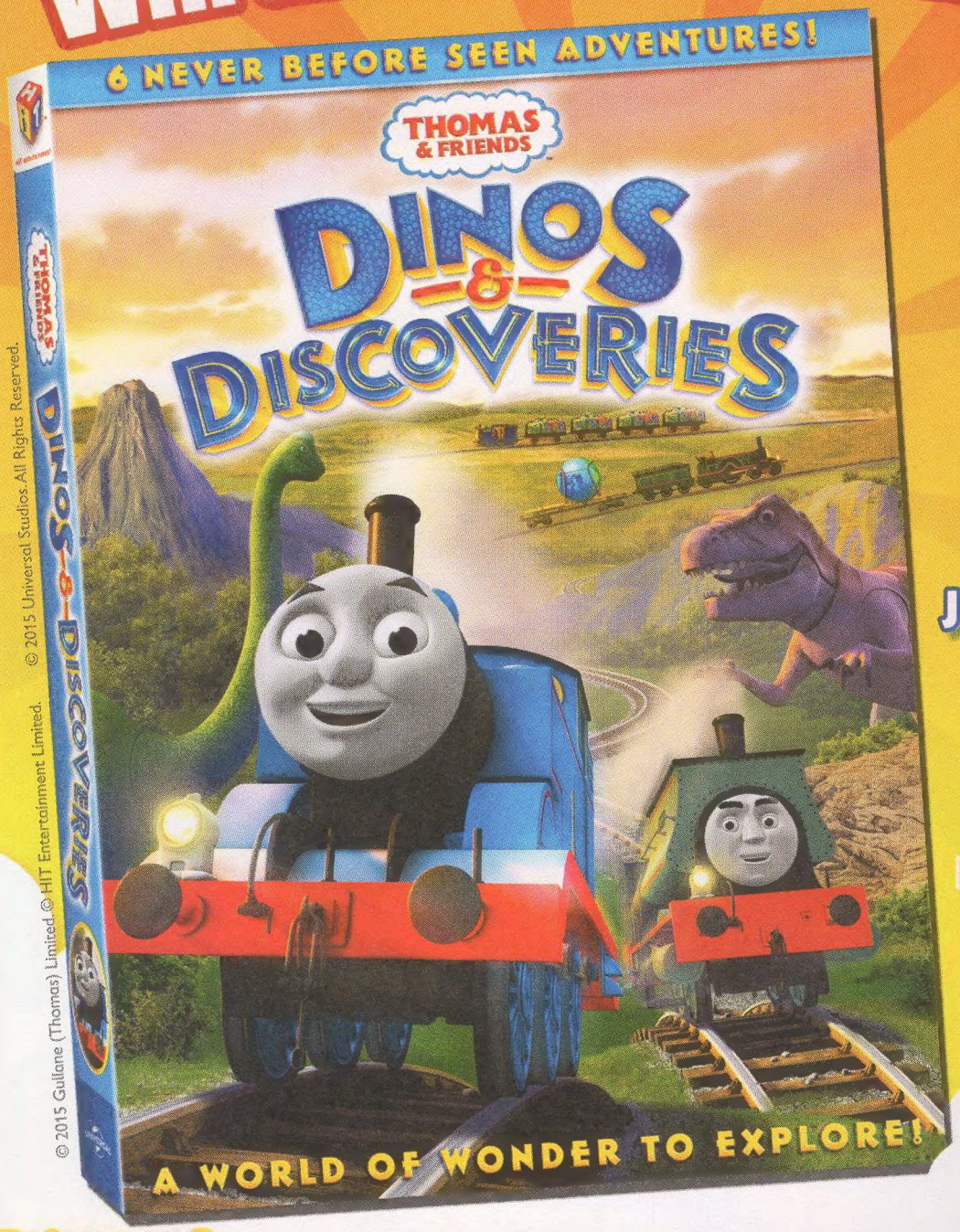
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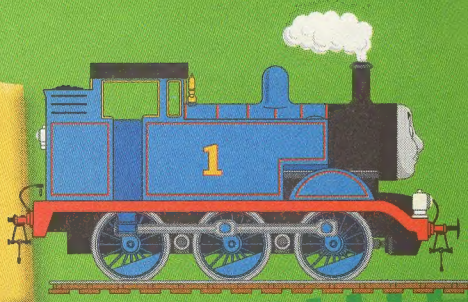

You will need:

- 1 large piece of cardboard (big enough for your shoebox to sit on with space around it)
- 1 shoebox
- yellow, red, green, black, and white paints (to make gray)
- paintbrushes
- safety scissors
- green tissue paper
- child-safe glue

1 Cut an arch shape in both ends of the shoebox. Paint the ends to look like bricks as shown below. You may want to use a black marker to draw around the gray bricks. Paint the other sides green, then leave to dry.

2 Make the bushes by tearing up green tissue paper and rolling it into small balls. Glue them to the top and sides of the tunnel.

3 Get a square piece of cardboard and paint on some grass and a train track.

Build a tunnel for your favorite engines.

Send a picture of your project to **thomas@redan.com** *and we may print it!*

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Place the tunnel over the track. Now you're ready to **whoosh** your trains through it!

COLLECTIBLE! NUMBER MURAL

Cut out this page when you are finished with your magazine. When you get your next issue, tape Number 5 to this one to make a giant mural!

Glue or tape the next part of your mural here. Look for Number 5 engine James in the next issue!

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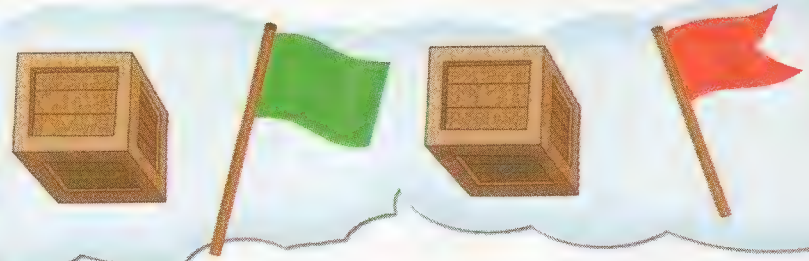
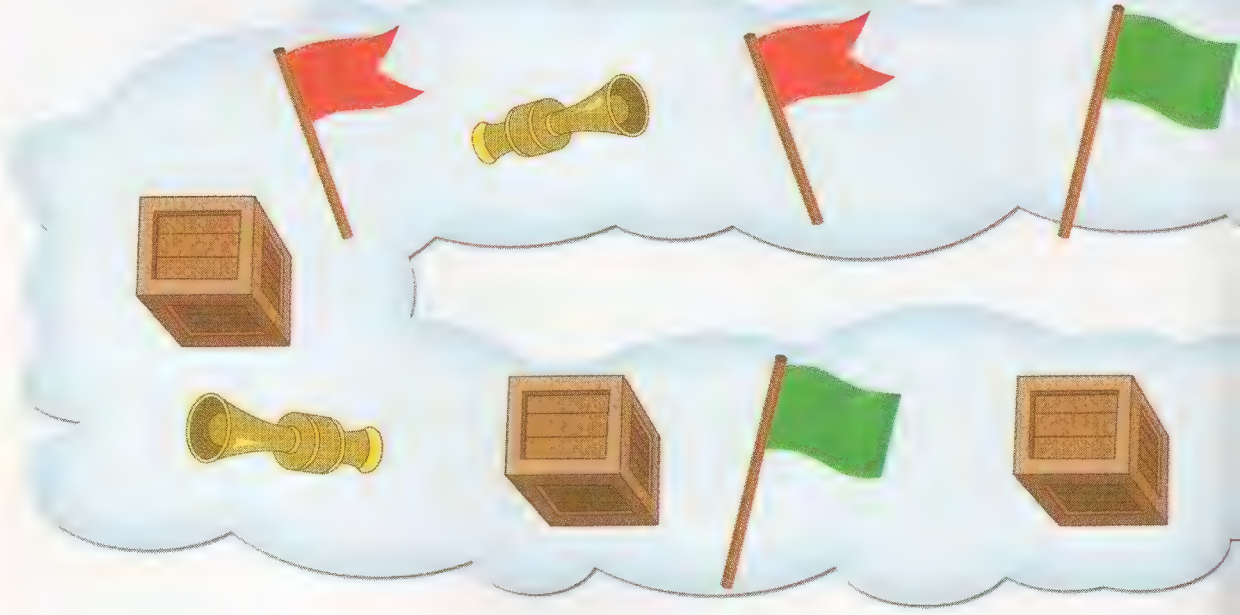
Count

Help Thomas deliver these items to James. Sort and count the things in the path and write the numbers in the boxes below.





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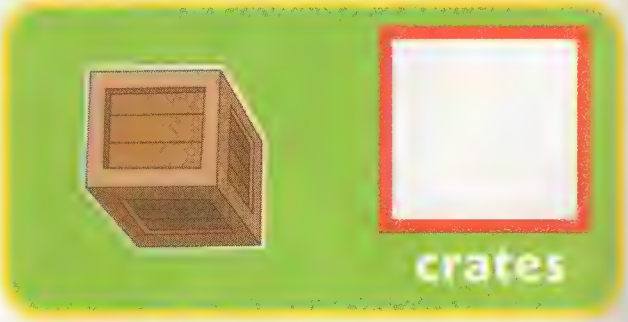

crates

$3 + 2 =$ ☐

Which group has this number of things?

1 ☐ 3 4 ☐ 6 7 ☐ 9 10

Fill in the missing numbers on the number line.

Parent Note
Counting
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matching one
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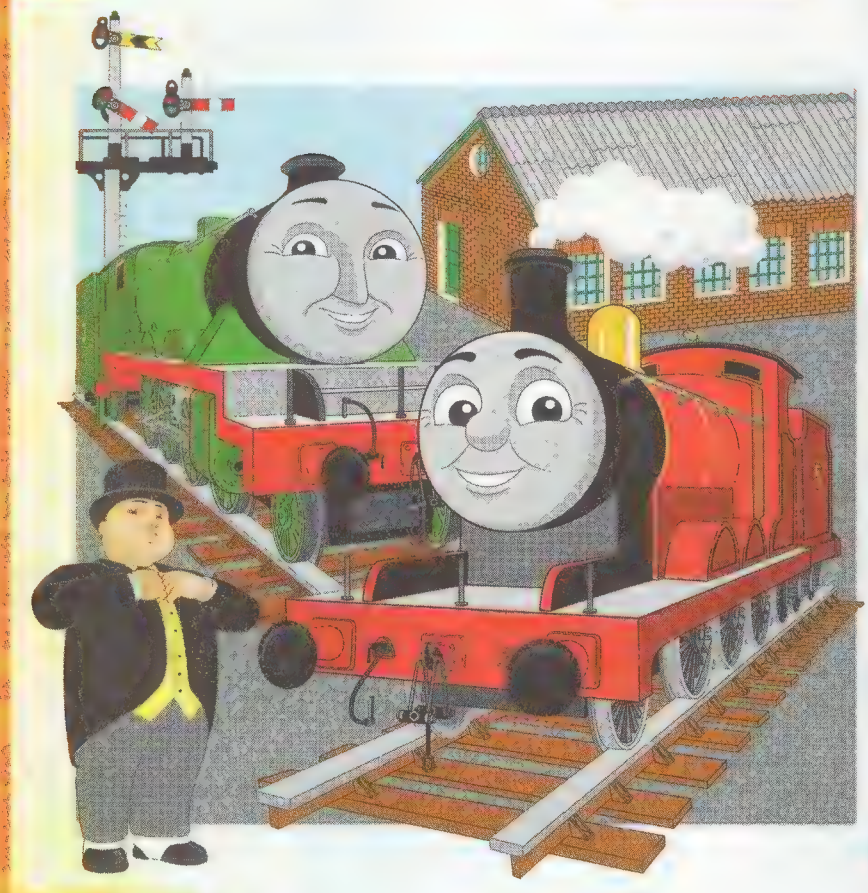
Match one of the small pictures exactly to the large picture.

Write the correct letter in this box.



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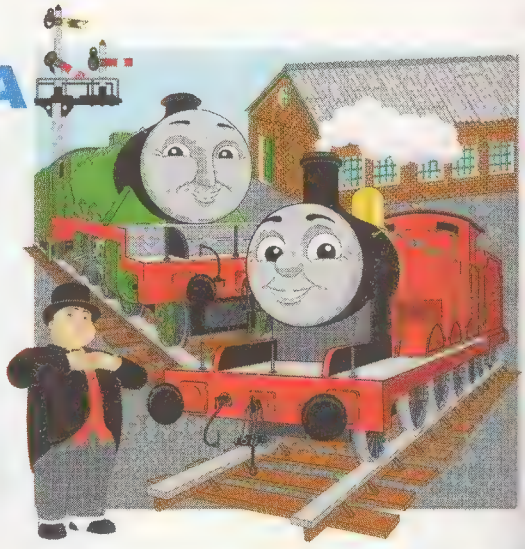

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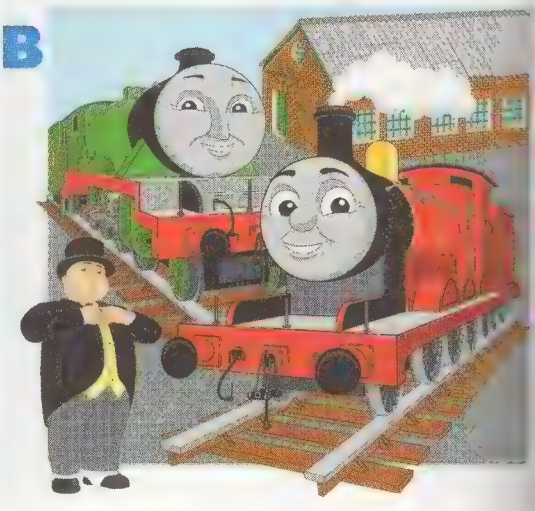

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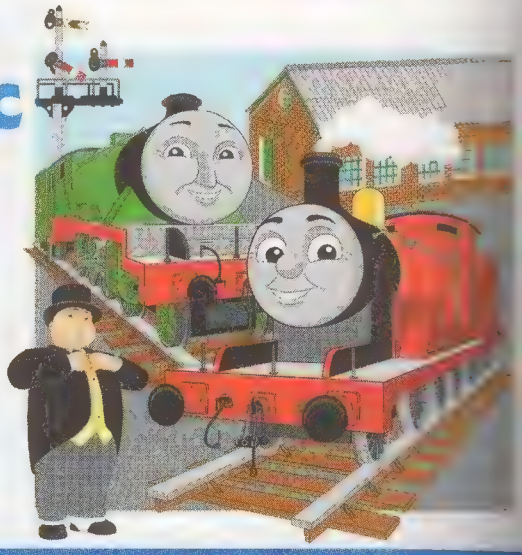

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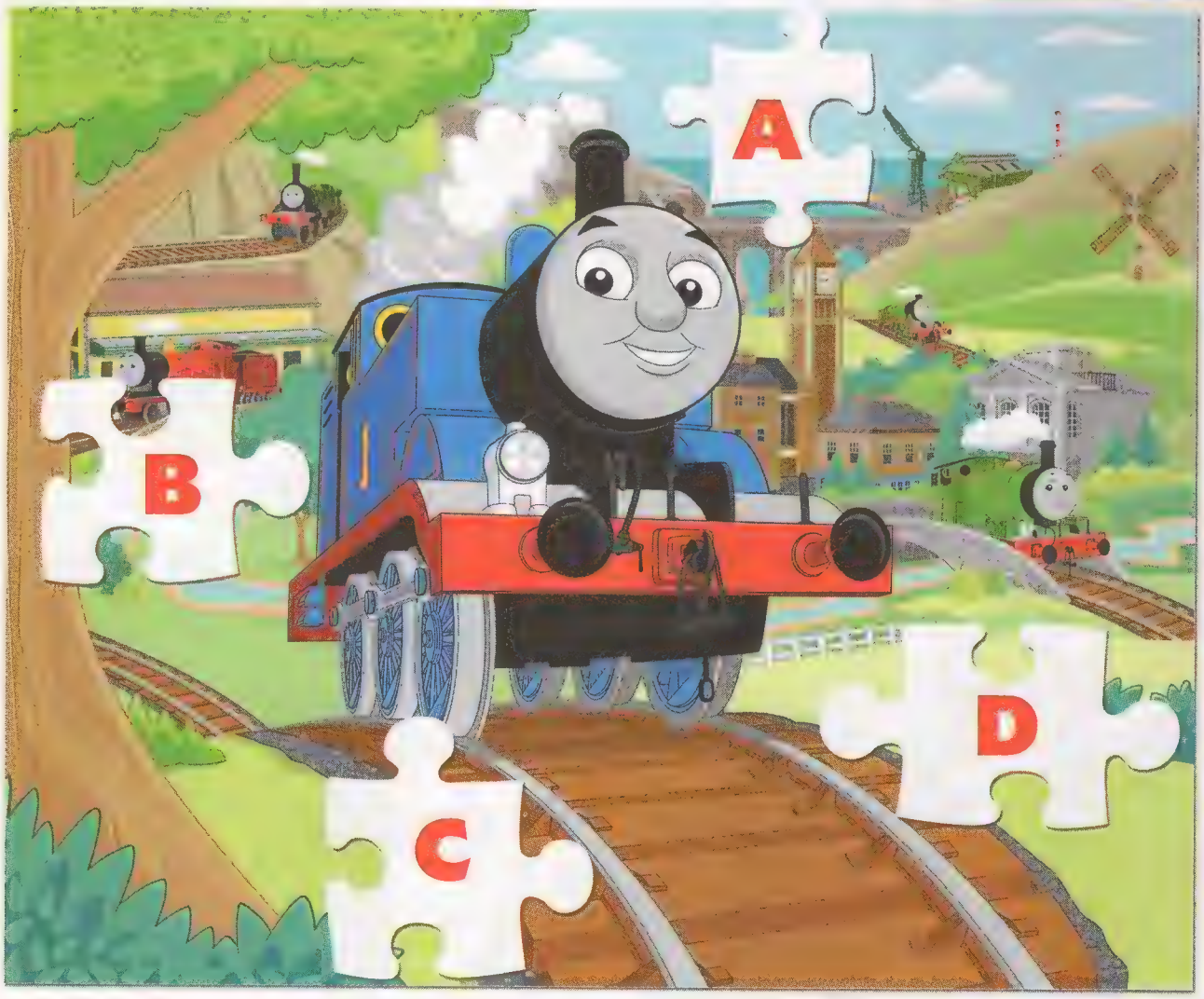
Finish the puzzle! Match the missing pieces by writing the correct letters in the boxes below.



COLLECTIBLE MOVIE POSTER!

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Look closely at picture A and picture B. Find and circle 6 differences in picture B.

Trace over the letters, starting at the dots.

Windy Day, Fly Away

Parent Note

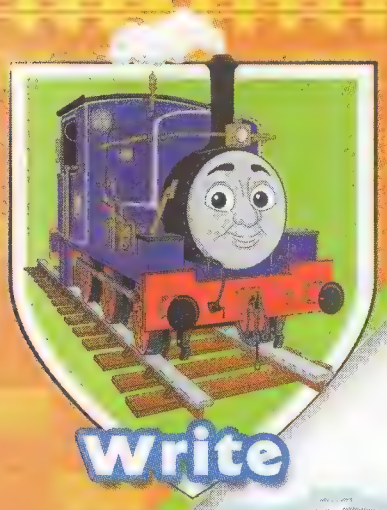
This activity helps enhance visual dexterity and counting skills.

Trace over a number each time you find a difference.

1 2 3 4 5 6

Count all the kites on these two pages.

Write the number in the box.



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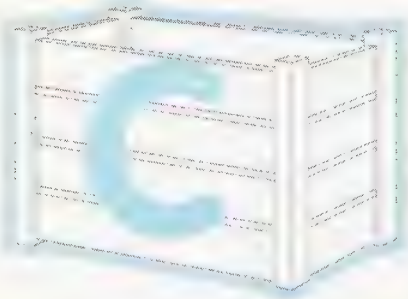
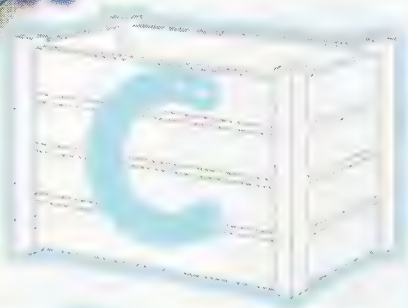
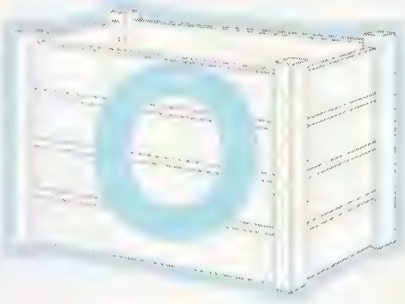
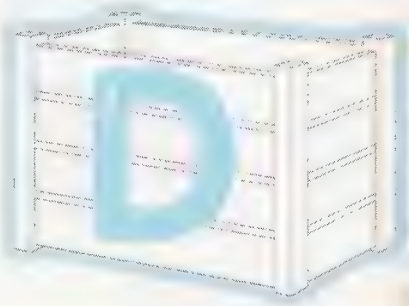
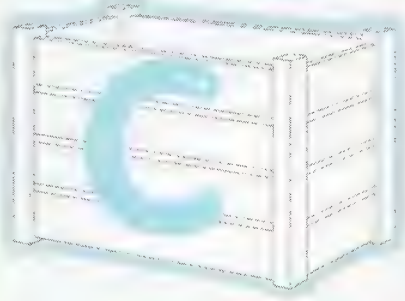










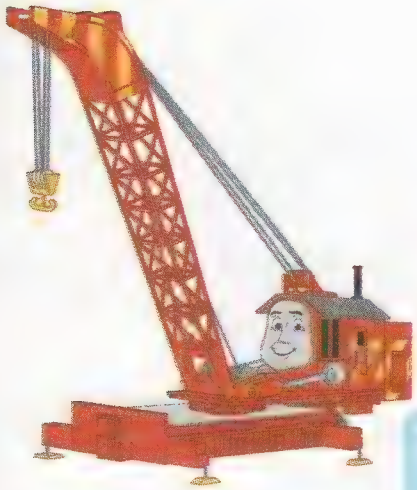
How many crates did you color?

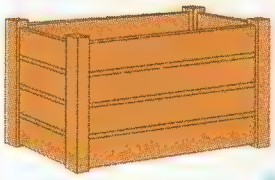
Which engine's name does NOT begin with the letter C?

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N

Practice writing the letter C on the line below.
Then complete the names of the cranes by filling in the letter C.

C C





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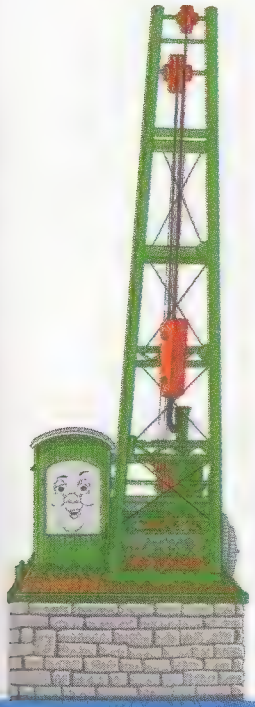

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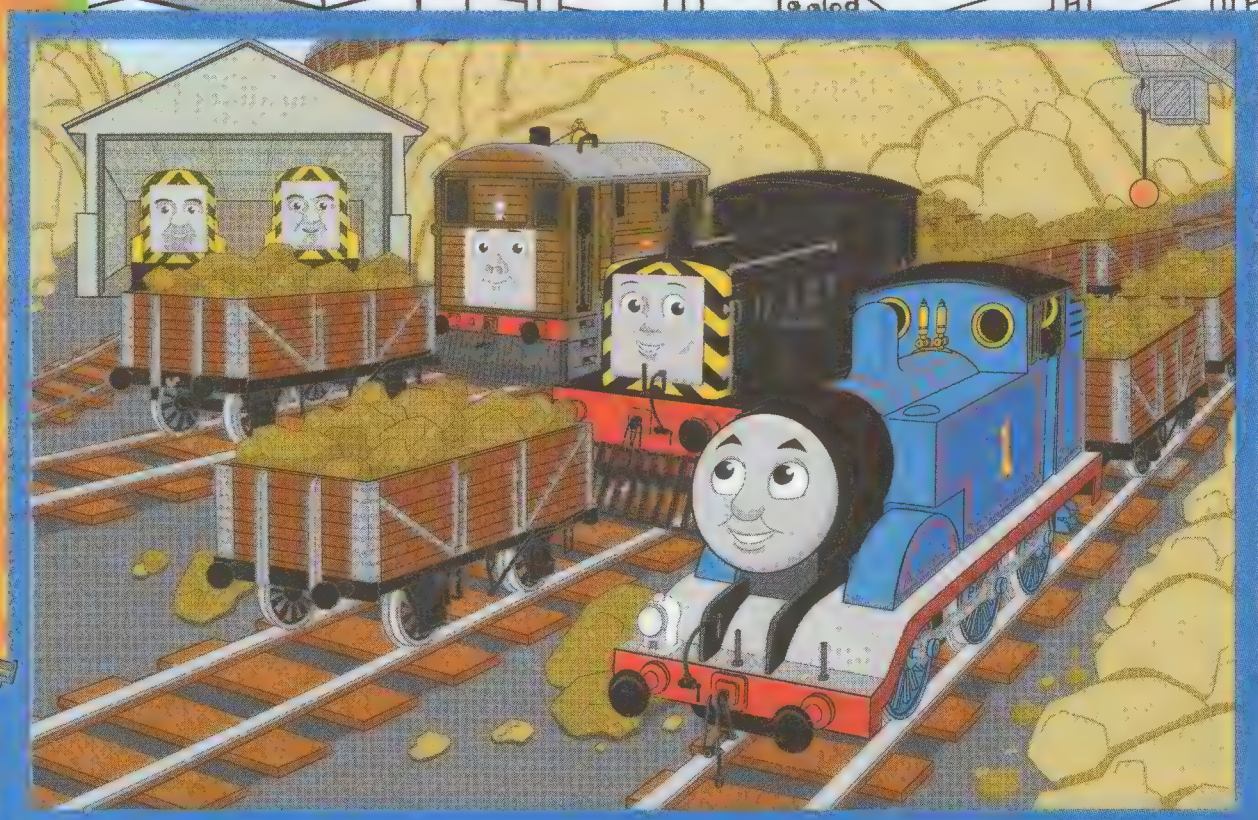
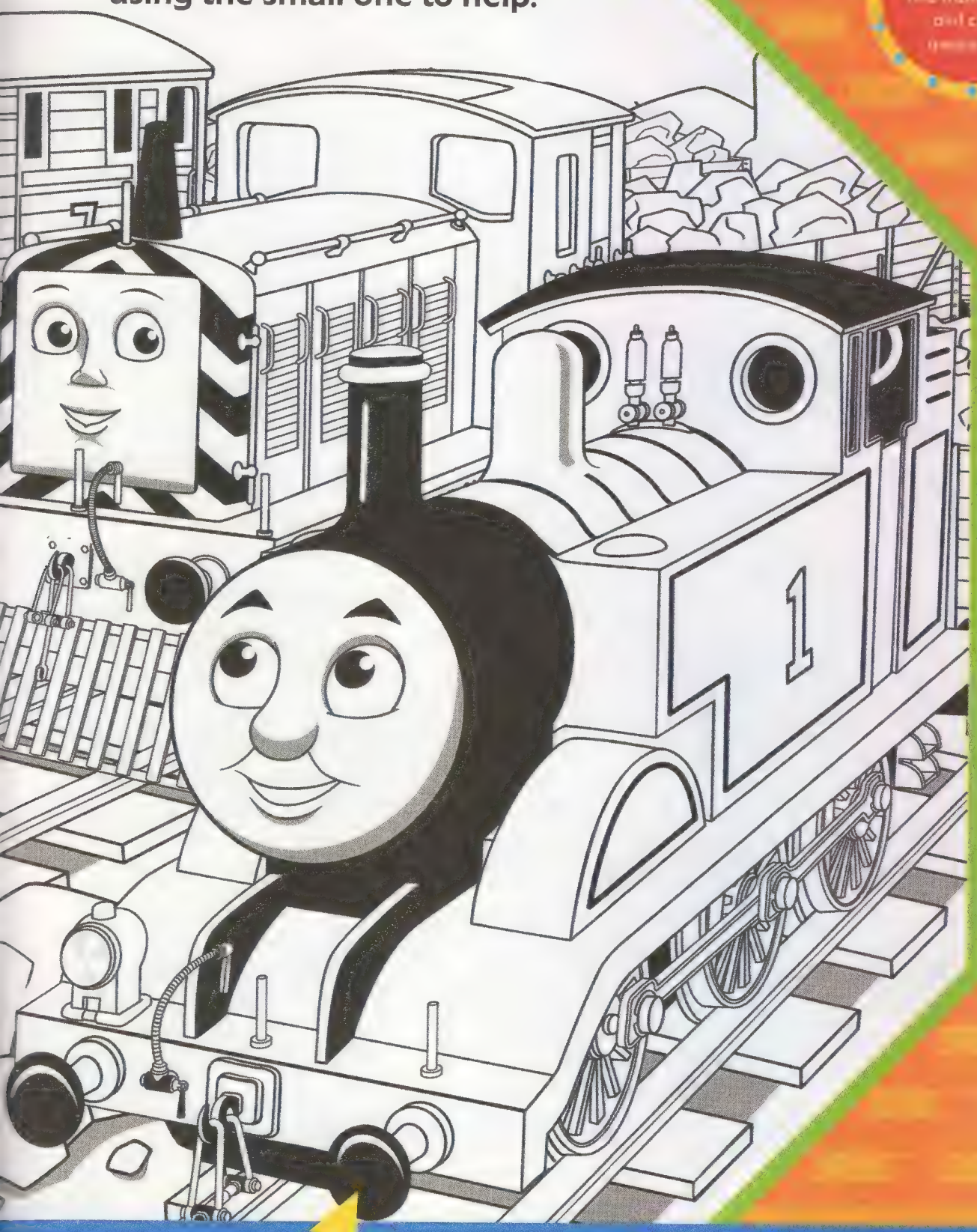


What adventures await Toby, Mavis, and Thomas? Color in the picture, using the small one to help.

Parent Note

Coloring improves fine motor skills and color awareness.



How many buffers can you count?

Write the number in the box

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Color a star next to each activity you have completed.

How many shovels did you find?

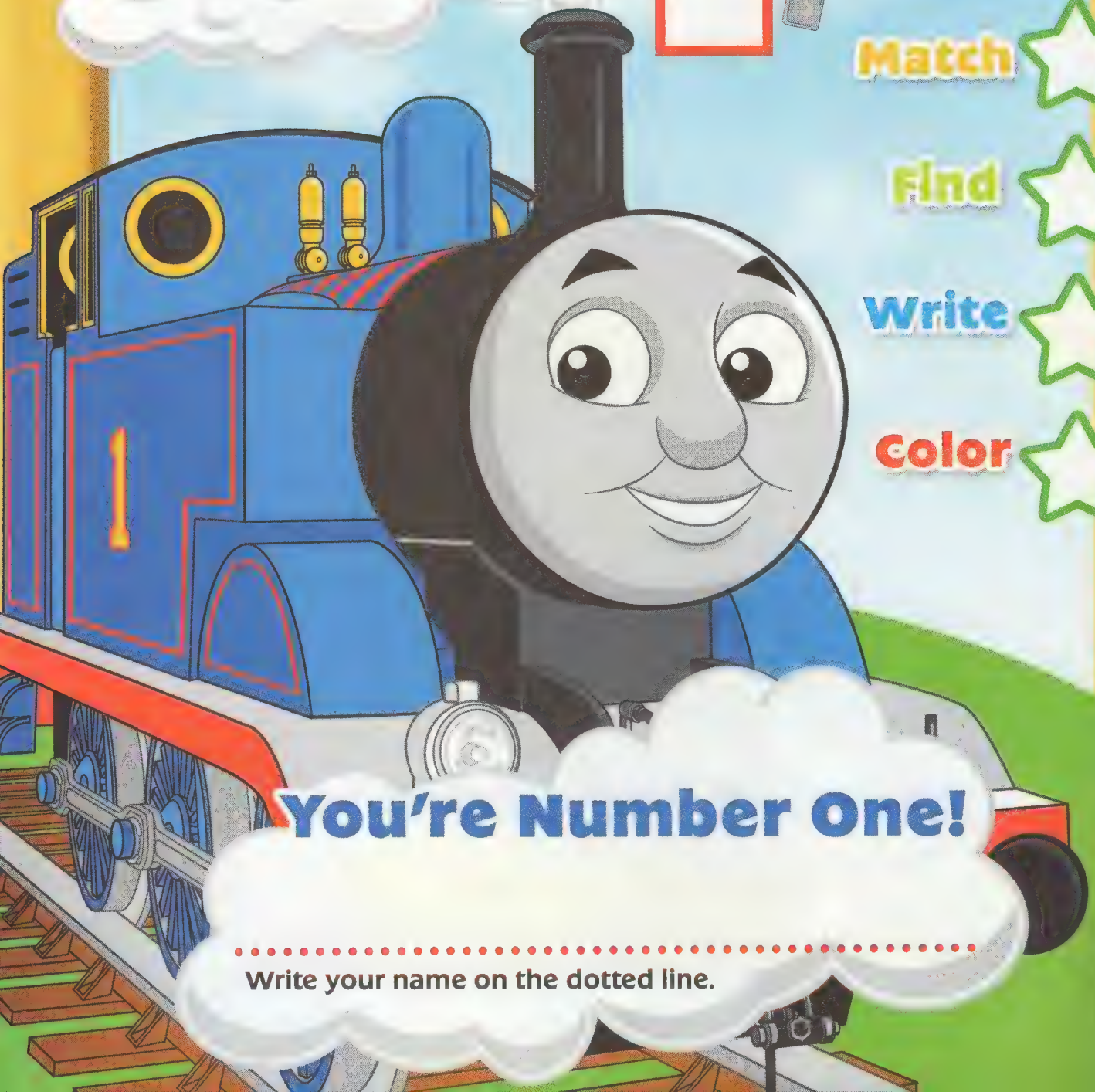
☆ Count

☆ Match

☆ Find

☆ Write

☆ Color



You're Number One!

Write your name on the dotted line.

Cut out and keep!

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Samson

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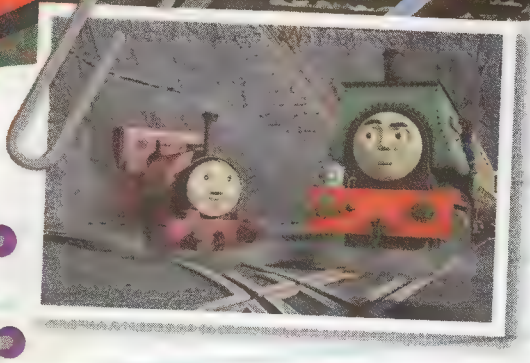
FACT FILE

Name: Samson

Color: dark greenish gray

Works: Samson generally works on the Mainland and came across to the Island for the first time to bring the dinosaur models for the Earl's new Dinosaur Park.

Known for: Samson is overconfident and often too proud to ask questions first. This behavior often leads him to make mistakes.



Adventures: Samson once got lost and spent the night at the Blue Mountain Quarry.

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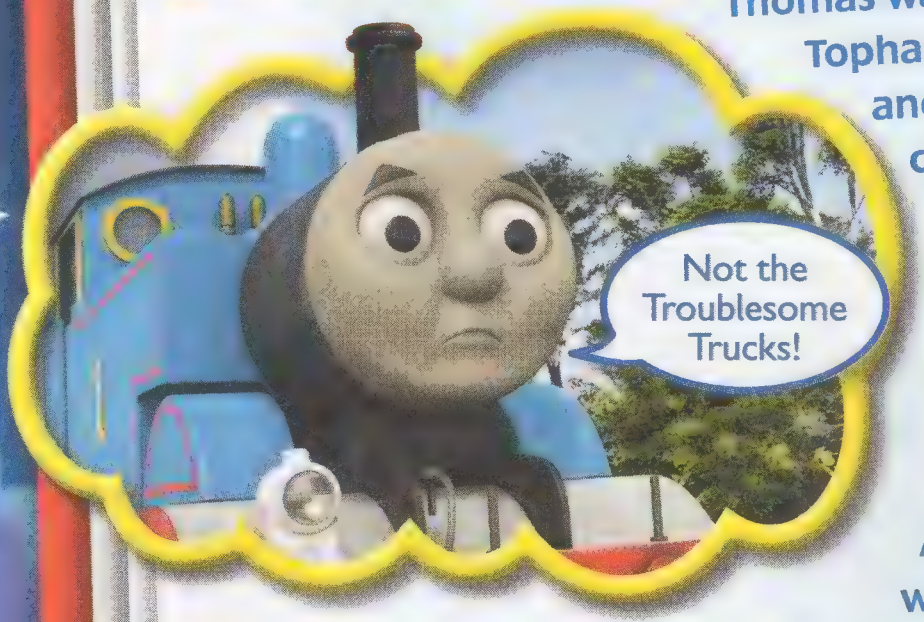
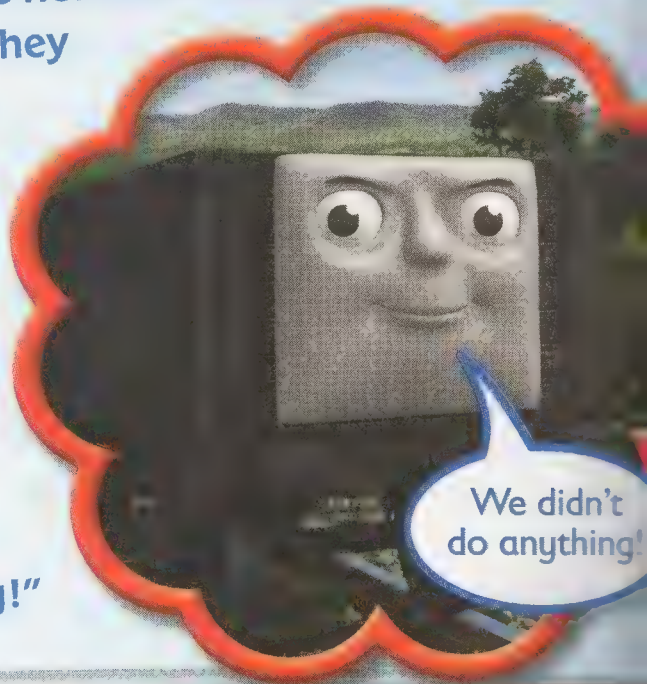
Trouble

Once upon a time on Sodor



Thomas was given a job by Sir Topham Hatt. "Go to the Quarry and collect some trucks of coal to take to the Docks, please," he said. "Oh, no!" Thomas sighed to himself as Sir Topham Hatt walked off. "Not the Troublesome Trucks!"

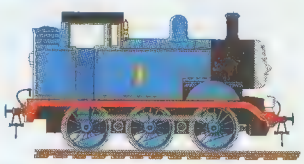
At the Quarry, Thomas was coupled to three Troublesome Trucks. They were chuckling and Thomas was nervous. "Behave yourselves, please!" Thomas asked them. They set off and it wasn't long before Thomas felt himself shaking along the track. "Those naughty Trucks are trying to take me off the rails!" he thought. "Stop it!" he called out. "We'll have an accident!" "We're not doing anything!"



on the Tracks

shouted back the Troublesome Trucks. Soon, they arrived at the Docks where the coal was collected from the Trucks. "Time to take you back to the Quarry," Thomas told them. "No more shaking, please!" "We weren't shaking," the Trucks replied. On the journey back, Thomas kept jolting. "Those naughty Trucks are pulling back so I keep stopping and starting," he thought. "If you don't stop I'm taking you to see Sir Topham Hatt so he can tell you off!" Thomas steamed. "We're not doing anything!" the Trucks cried. But still, Thomas kept jolting. "Right! That's it," huffed Thomas as he pulled the Trucks towards Knapford Station.

At Knapford, Thomas told Sir Topham Hatt what had happened. "These Troublesome Trucks kept slowing me down and nearly took me off the rails!" The Trucks were upset. "We didn't do anything, Sir!" they insisted. Just then, Henry puffed up, looking very tired. "The tracks between the Quarry and the Docks need fixing," he told them all. "I've been shaking and jolting along them all day!" Thomas felt very foolish and apologized to the Trucks. "Well, Thomas," laughed Sir Topham Hatt, "it seems like you've been having problems with some Troublesome Tracks, instead!"



Make an engine

Make your very own Steamie!

Ask a grown-up to help you with the cutting out and sticking.

1. **Draw** and **color** the engine to make it your own.
2. **Cut** along the dashed lines and **fold** the red lines.
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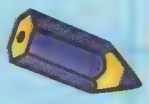
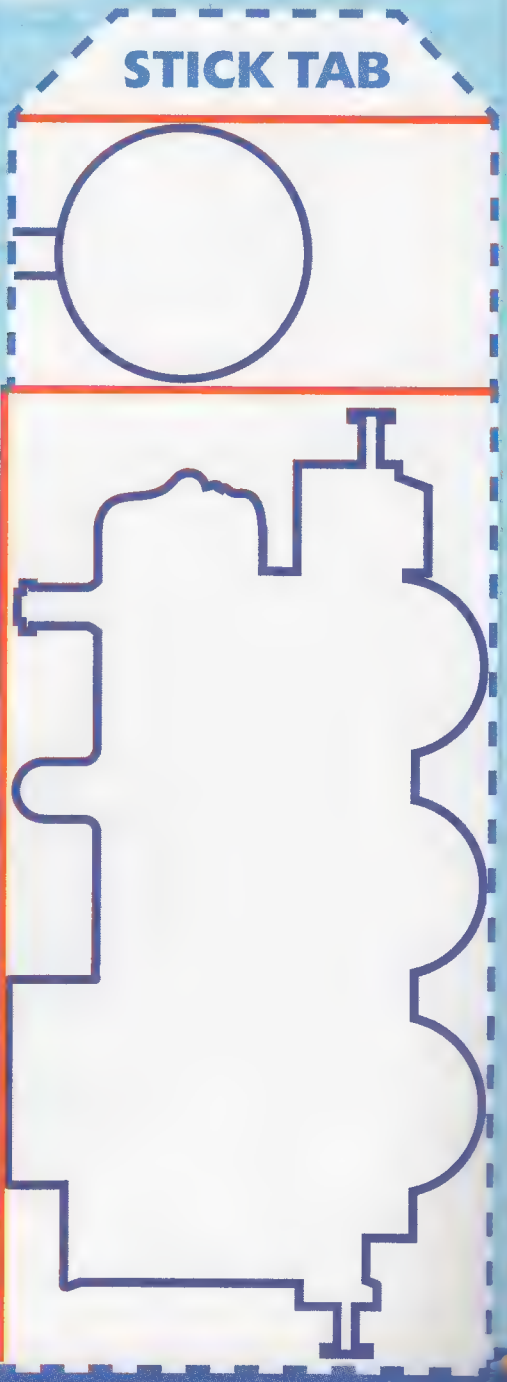
Don't forget to draw a happy face!





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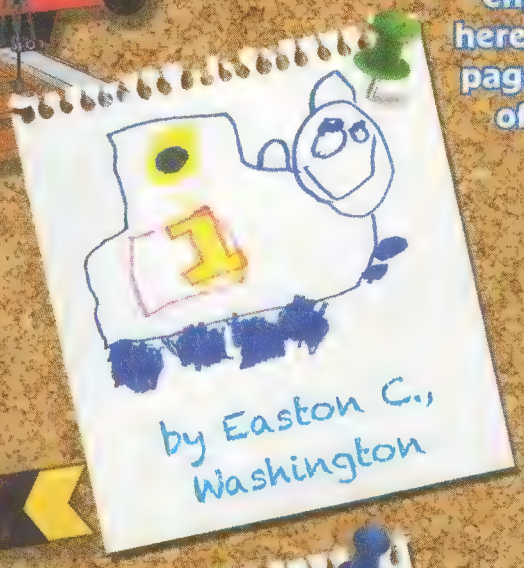

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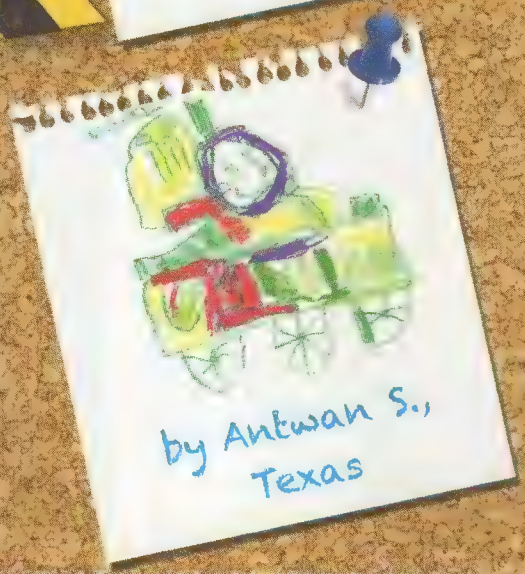

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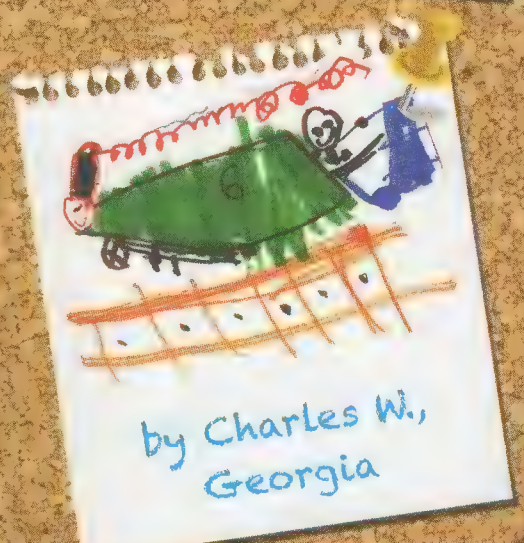

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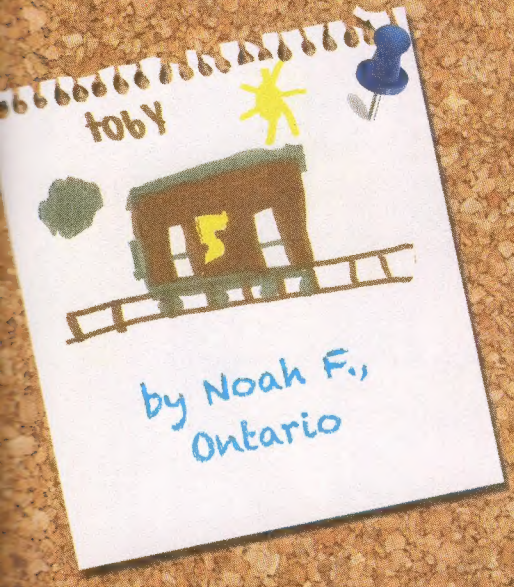

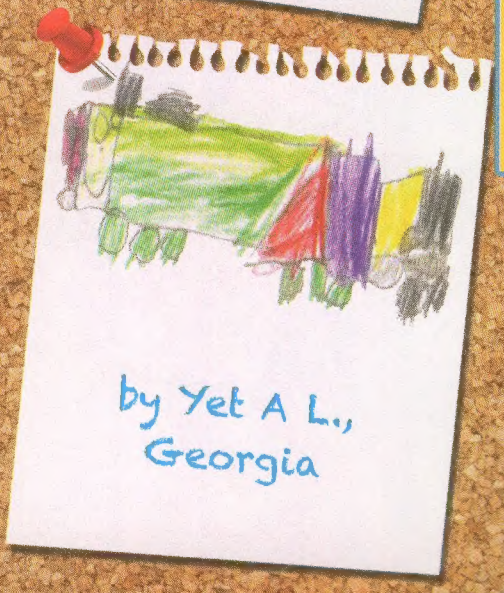

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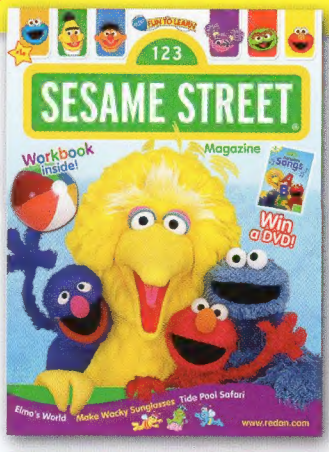

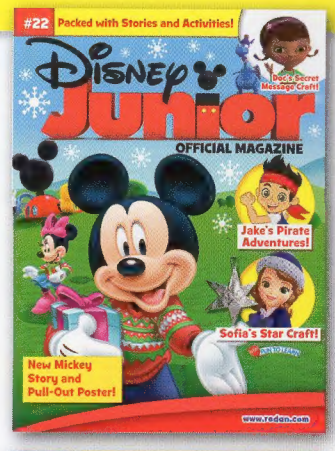

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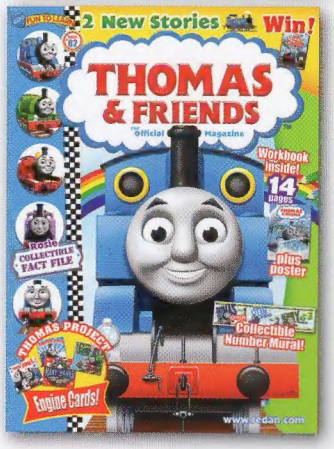

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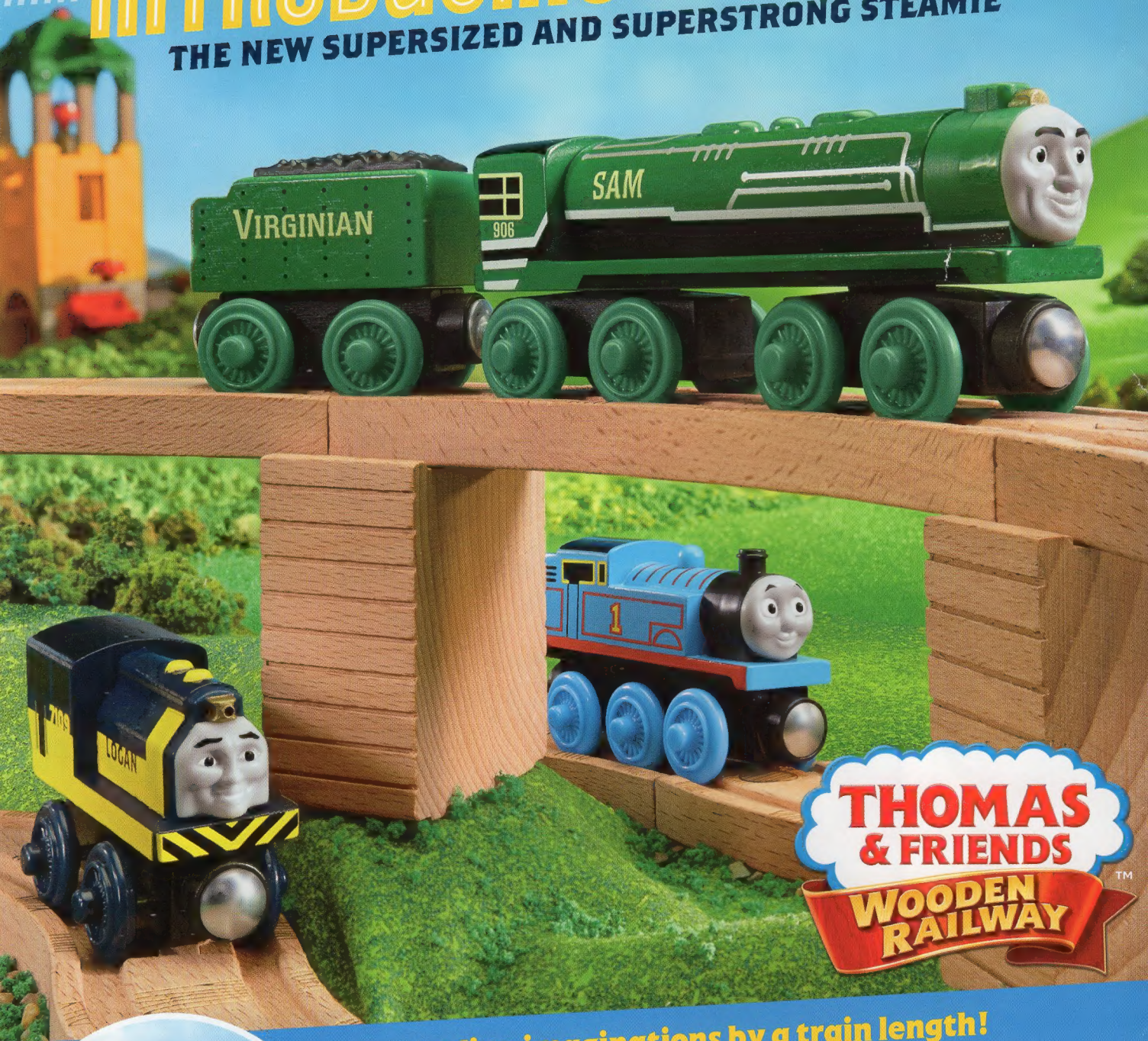

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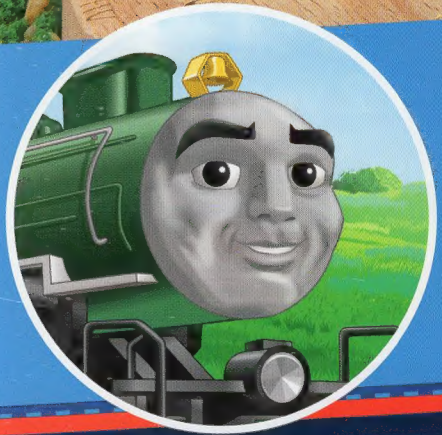

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